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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicants submit herewith a copy of the International Search Report of June 28, 2005, citing the listed documents, together with an English-language version (if not already included) of at least that portion of the International Search Report indicating the degree of relevance found by the Japan Patent Office. Also submitted herewith is a copy of the IPER, and English-language abstracts for each of the listed references.

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